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STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF

DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST : ORDER OF SUMMARY SUSPENSION

JAMES D. HANNA, M.D., RESPONDENT.

ORDER 0001486

Division of Enforcement Case #12 MED 136

This matter came before the Board at its regular and properly noticed meeting on April 18, 2012. The appearances were Arthur Thexton, Prosecuting Attorney, and no appearance by, or on behalf of, Respondent.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Respondent is James David Hanna, M.D., dob 5/31/1958, who is licensed as a physician and surgeon in Wisconsin pursuant to license # 25941, first granted on 7/1/1984. Respondent's address of record is W5245 Boma Road, La Crosse WI 54601. Respondent is a pediatrician. He is certified by the American Board of Pediatrics, with a subspecialty certificate in Pediatric Nephrology. He is also licensed in Minnesota and Kansas. Respondent has not registered in the current biennium, but may register as of right at any time before October 31, 2014, by paying the late fees and completing required documentation.
- 2. In June, 2008, Respondent reported to work in La Crosse, Wisconsin, intending to practice as a physician, while he was under the influence of alcohol.
- 3. Respondent completed inpatient treatment for AODA issues in 2008. Respondent's diagnosis was Alcohol Dependence.
- 4. On December 22, 2008, Respondent applied for licensure in Kansas. On April 20, 2009, the Kansas State Board of Healing Arts issued a conditional license to practice medicine and surgery and required Dr. Hanna to submit to monitoring for a period of at least 5 years.
- 5. Respondent voluntarily consented to revocation of his license to practice medicine and surgery in Ohio, effective September 9, 2009.
- 6. On February 15, 2011, and following the investigation in 10 MED 288, Respondent entered the Wisconsin Professional Assistance Procedure, and was permitted to retain his license, without public restriction or limitation, provided that he, among other things, did not consume alcoholic beverages.
- 7. On March 25, 2012, Respondent reported to work at the Avera Marshall Regional Medical Center, Marshall, MN, under the influence of alcohol. Respondent submitted to a blood test; his

blood alcohol level was still .212% by weight, some 4 hours after he reported for work. Respondent admitted to the Minnesota Health Professionals Services Program that he had consumed a half-pint of alcohol.

- 8. The above constitutes unprofessional conduct pursuant to Wis. Admin. Code § Med 10.02(2)(h), (i), and (q).
- 9. A formal complaint alleging that Respondent has committed unprofessional conduct is approved, and shall be filed within 10 days of this order.
- 10. Respondent was informed of this Notice and Petition for Summary Suspension on April 10, 2012 by having the documents mailed to his address of record on that date. A copy was also emailed to respondent's e-mail address on Friday, Apr 13, 2012 at 10:43 AM. Receipt of the documents was confirmed by e-mail from Respondent, on Friday, April 13, 2012 at 2:09 PM.

CONCLUSION OF LAW

The legal requirements for summary suspension pursuant to §448.02(4), Wis. Stats., and ch. SPS 6, Wis. Adm. Code, have been fulfilled.

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED: the license of James David Hanna, M.D., to practice medicine and surgery is SUSPENDED. Respondent shall surrender his credentials to the Board or any department staff requesting them, forthwith.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that Respondent may request a hearing to show cause why this suspension order should not be continued, and may file such request with the Administrative Law Judge assigned to this matter, at the Division of Hearings and Appeals, 5005 University Ave Ste 201, PO Box 7875, Madison, WI 53707-7875. A hearing on such request shall be scheduled within 20 days of the date the ALJ receives such request, unless Respondent agrees to a later date.

Dated this April 18, 2012,

WISCONSIN MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD, by:

member of the board

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